MYSORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Friday, 23rd February 1968

The House met in the Council Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at Fifteen Minutes past Two of the Clock.

Mr. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN (SRI S. D. GAONKAR, LL.B.) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were gives)

Pay scales of craft Instructors and Physical Education Teachers

7. Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO (Teachers' Constituency).—

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Craft Instructors in High Schools who possess the S.S.L.C. and Craft Certificate are paid a scale of Rs. 100-200;

(*b*) whether Physical Education Teachers who possess S.S.L.C. and a Physical Education Certificate are paid a scale of only Rs. 85-150;

(*c*) when this discrimination will be removed ?

A.—Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) This is not a case of discrimination. More pay is given to technical personnel as they are in demand in industry.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—It is stated that more pay is given to technical personnel as they are in demand in Industry. Is it not true that we have dearth of physical training instructors in our high schools and the intake in the Physical Education College of the Government i s not filled ? Only half or three-fourths of the strength is filled and there is dearth of Physical Training Instructors and they are in demand, Is it not so ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—It is not so. We are having as many Physical Training Instructors as we require.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—How many are trained every year?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—That information is not available with me for the time being.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—From the information I have gathered when the intake of Government Physical Training College is more than 60, the number admitted is only 30 or 40 because the persons who are deputed refuse to go as they get low salary.

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—It may be true.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—In a same high school one is designated as National Discipline Teacher and another is designated as Physical Training Instructor and both do the same work. The former is paid more. Is it not a discrimination?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—Of course there is some disparity in this matter. The question of making them equal is under the active consideration of the Government.

Sri S. P. RAJANNA.—Is it not a fact that these Physical Training Instructors are entrusted with academic classes also and they lose interest in teaching physical education classes in the evening?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—Because they are given other work, it does not mean that they lose interest in physical education work.

Sri S. P. RAJANNA.—If they are given some extra money they will do. Otherwise they do not work properly.

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—I do not agree that they are not paid properly. They are paid. They want to compare themselves with the Craft Inspector. That post is a technical job whereas this is not so.

Sri B. G. DESHPANDE.—Will the Government take into consideration the suggestion to bring the pay of Physical Education Instructors on par with that of the Craft Instructors?

Sri K.V. SHANKARA GOWDA —I have already stated that the Craft Instructor's job is a technical job whereas the job of the Physical Education Teacher is not a technical job. There must be some disparity between the two.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Is Government aware that one of the main recommendations of the Mysore Education Reforms Committee of 1953 was that the Physical Education Teachers' salaries should correspond to those of the graduate teachers who do only academic work

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—I do not think it is necessary.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—Is it not true that the craft certificate is obtained with less effort and less cost whereas the Physical Education Teacher has to spend a lot of money and has to undergo years of strenuous training in the Physical Education College ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—The Craft Instructors also have to undergo training.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—Is it not a fact that the horticulture certificate is obtained with 9 months' training at Lal Bagh for which Government gives a handsome stipend whereas these Physical Education Teachers who do strenuous work do not get so much stipend and their work is more strenuous ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—I will examine the matter.

Smt. M. R. LAKSHAMMA.—Is it not a fact that these Physical Education Teachers in these days have got to keep themselves physically fit so as to impart education to the students and in order to do so, will the Government agree that this meagre salary that they have indicated is not adequate to the many needs of the Physical Education Teachers ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—It is not only the Physical Education Teachers that must keep themselves physically fit ; everybody must be physically fit.

Sri S. P. RAJANNA.—The Hon'ble Minister was kind enough to say that there is no dearth of Physical Education Teachers. When that is so, where is the need for the Certificate Course to give training in physical education ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—To give training for sufficient number of people so that they may be utilised as and when they are necessary.

Sri M. P. L SASTRY.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that at the secondary level the managements are finding it difficult to get qualified Physical Edcation Teachers ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—That has not come to my knowledge.

Sri M. P. L. SASTRY.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that the low scale of pay is mostly responsible for not attracting the eligible young men for this work ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—It is not only here ; in many other fields also low scales of pay are not attracting proper people.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—How do the pay scales of Physical Education Teachers in Mysore State compare with those of their counterparts in the adjoining States, at least in the South ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—They compare favourably.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಟಿ. ಶಾಮಯ್ಯಗೌಡ.—ಫಿಜಿಕಲ್ ಕಲ್ಚರ್ ಇನ್‌ಸ್ಟ್ರಕ್ಟರ್ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 11 ಗಂಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹುಡುಗರಿಗೆ ಬಸಿಲನಲ್ಲಿ ಡ್ರಿಲ್ ಮಾಡಿಸುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ವಿ. ಶಂಕರಗೌಡ.—ಪಾಠಪ್ರವಚನಗಳನ್ನು ನಡೆಸತಕ್ಕ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹೊಂದಾಣಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೆ ಬಂದಿರಬಹುದು. ಆದರೆ ಅದು ಸರಿಯಲ್ಲ. ಅದನ್ನು ತಪ್ಪಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO —Unless a Physical Education Teacher has 20 or 22 periods in a school, is Government aware that such a teacher will not be appointed ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—Certainly.

Sri K. R. ACHAR.—How do their pay scales compare with those in Maharashtra and Northern States ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—I do not know the pay scales prevailing in Maharashtra.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಎಂ. ಆರ್. ಲಕ್ಷಮ್ಮ.—ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಹೊತ್ತಿನ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಈ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ವಿಚಾರ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು, ಅದನ್ನು ಸಹಾನುಭೂತಿಯಿಂದ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ವಿ. ಶಂಕರಗೌಡ.—ಸಹಾನುಭೂತಿಯಿಂದ ವಿಚಾರಮಾಡತಕ್ಕ ವಿಷಯಗಳು ಅನೇಕ ಇವೆ. ಅದುದರಿಂದ ಎಲ್ಲವನ್ನೂ ಸಹಾನುಭೂತಿಯಿಂದ ಮಾಡಿ ಎಂದರೆ ಹೇಗೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಬಿ. ಮರ್ಲಾರಾಧ್ಯ.—ಎಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಣ್ಣುಮಕ್ಕಳು ಫಿಜಿಕಲ್ ಎಜುಕೇಷನ್ ಇನ್‌ಸ್ಟ್ರಕ್ಟರ್ ಆಗಿದ್ದಾರೋ ಅಲ್ಲಾದರೂ ಸಹಾನುಭೂತಿಯಿಂದ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ವಿ. ಶಂಕರಗೌಡ.—ನಮ್ಮ ರಾಜ್ಯಾಂಗದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಗಂಡು—ಹೆಣ್ಣು ಎಂದು ಡಿಸ್ಕ್ರಿಮಿನೇಟ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri M. P. L. SASTRY.—Is it not the view of the Government that the Physical Education Teacher should be a post-graduate in view of the fact that physical education has become part of the general education system ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—That is a good system ; it will be considered.

Sri M. P. L. SASTRY.—In view of the policy decision already taken by the Government, will the Minister in charge of Education take note of the paucity of hands with this qualification ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—We will take note of it.

Sri S. MUKUNDA RAO.—The Minister was pleased to state that the scales in our State compare favourably with those in other States. May I bring to his notice that in ex-Madras area the Physical Education Teachers were given the scale plus an allowance of Rs. 15 per month for their work and that has been removed by our State ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—That has been removed after integration.